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GENEVA FOR USDEL MTN

BUENOS AIRES PLS PASS MR. STEPHEN LANDE, ASST. STR

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SUBJECT: US-BRAZIL SUBGROUP ON TRADE

REF: STATE 196897 (NOTAL)

1. ECONOFF MET WITH ACTING CHIEF OF FONMIN'S TRADE POLICY DIVISION (MEDEIROS) MORNING OF AUG. 19 TO INFORM FONMIN OF UNAVAILABILITY OF SENIOR USG PARTICIPANTS ON ORIGINAL DATES FOR SUBGROUP MEETING (SEP. 8-9) AND TO REQUEST GOB CONSIDER SEPT 15-16 AS NEW DATES, PER REF.

2. MEDEIROS WAS VERY PESSIMISTIC ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF ACCEPTING THE NEW DATES, COMMENTING THAT THE GOB'S INTERNAL COORDINATION LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AND PREPARATIONS FOR MEETING ON SEPT 8-9 HAD PROCEEDED TOO FAR TO BE UNDONE NOW. THE MAIN OBSTACLE, HOWEVER, WOULD BE THE POSSIBLE INABILITY OF FRANCISCO DORNELLES, MINISTRY OF FINANCE GENERAL COUNSEL, TO ATTEND A MEETING IN WASHINGTON ON SEPT. 15-16. MEDEIROS NOTED, AS THE DEPT. IS AWARE, THAT DORNELLES AND FERNAO BRACHER, DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL BANK'S EXTERNAL AREA, ARE ALREADY SCHEDULED TO MEET WITH SENIOR TREASURE OFFICIALS ON SEPT. 7 AND

HAD PLANNED TO STAY IN WASHINGTON TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SUBGROUP MEETING SEPT 8-9. MEDEIROS ADDED THAT DORNELLES' PARTICIPATION IN THE SUBGROUP MEETING WAS ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL TO THE GOB. MEDEIROS SAID HE WOULD IMMEDIATELY CONSULT WITH DORNELLES AND OTHER INTERESTED OFFICIALS AND CALL ECONOFF LATER.

3. MEDEIROS CALLED ENCONOFF MID-FTERNOON OF AUG 19 TO ADVISE THAT, HAVING CONSULTED ALL PARTIES CONCERNED, THE GOB COULD NOT ACCEPT SEPT 15-16 AS NEW DATES FOR THE SUBGROUP MEETING ANDPREFERRED TO MAINTAIN THE ORIGINAL DATES OF SEPT 8-9, EVEN IF IT MEANT THAT HIGH LEVEL USG OFFICIALS COULD NOT PARTICIPATE. MEDEIROS STATES THAT DORNELLES ALREADY HAD OTHER COMMITMENTS ABROAD DURING THE WEEK OF SEPT 11 AND INDICATED TO ECONOFF THAT FONMIN SILVEIRA HIMSELF HAD DISAPPROVED CHANGING THE DATES.

4. CONCERNING THE AGENDA, MEDEIROS SEEMED SOMEWHAT SURPRISED TO HEAR THAT THE USG DOES NOT INTEND TO RAISE SPECIFIC BILATERAL ISSUES OUTSIDE THE CONTEXT OF A GENERAL REVIEW OF THE MTN. ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT MENTION ANY SPECIFIC BILATERAL ITEMS HIMSELF, MEDEIROS SAID THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO PERSONALLY DISCUSS THE SUB-GROUP AGENDA WITH ASSISTANT STR STEPHEN LANDE DURING THE LATTER'S VISIT TO BRASILIA AUG. 23.

5. ACTION: REQUEST DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS ASAP ON FEASIBILITY OF MAINTAINING ORIGINAL DATES OF SEPT 8-9 FOR SUBGROUP MEETING.

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